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**HUNTING SEASON DATES ON  
DOVES CHANGED IN TWO STATES**

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Changes in the open season for mourning doves in the States of Louisiana and Mississippi were approved by President Coolidge on April 11, 1924. The action was taken at the request of sportsmen, game officials, and others, and on recommendation of the Secretary of Agriculture, who, under authority of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, submitted the proposed amendment to the Federal regulations. The amendment changes the open season for mourning doves in Louisiana from September 16--December 31 to the period November 1--January 31, and in Mississippi from September 16--December 31 to the period October 16--January 31. These changes were recommended by the Department of Agriculture, after careful consideration and upon the advice of the Advisory Board under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. It is believed by the State game commissions and sportsmen concerned that the new open seasons will be more satisfactory than those previously in force.

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